



PARKS, ARTS, AND RECREATION COMMISSION MINUTES

Meeting of November 14, 2001
1 N. San Antonio Road
Los Altos, California 94022

Commissioners Present: Commissioners Roeder, Cooper, Toppel, Lippe
Chairperson Casas arrived at 7:30 p.m.

Commissioners Absent: Charlton

Approval of Minutes: October 17th minutes approved as written.

Public Comment: There was no public comment presented.

Business

1. **Council Directive- Consideration of renaming a park or site in recognition of recent events**

The Commission discussed the Council's directive of whether a site in town or an area in a park should be named in memory of those who lost their lives on September 11, 2001 as well as those who may die in the ongoing struggle and to explore whether the Council should consider renaming Conner Park.

The Commission felt the directive should be broken into two parts. Part one of the directive should include an area or site in Los Altos to be named in reference to those who lost their lives and the ongoing struggle of the September 11th tragedy. Part two of the directive should be to consider the renaming of Conner Park.

Louise Lee, who lives at the corner of Edith and San Antonio, spoke in favor of keeping Conner Park the way it is, a quiet, passive park. The issue of changing the name was ok with the condominium group.

The Commission consensus was that an area in Shoup Park be selected for this purpose and a name selected by using the Park Naming Policy process for that area. The Commission also stated that the renaming of Conner Park did not need to happen if the Council selected an area in Shoup Park.

Motion by Commissioner Casas and seconded by Commissioner Lippe that a section of the reserved group area at Shoup Park be designated as the area for celebration of our nation and to follow the existing public process for the naming of that area. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Commissioner Toppel and seconded by Commissioner Roeder that no name change occur at any park. Motion passed unanimously.

Discussion and Public Interest Items

1. Playground Equipment Replacement Process Update

Mr. Brees updated the Commission on the possible delays for the timeline of the playground equipment process at Shoup Park.

2. Public Art Program- Status Report from staff

Mr. Brees informed the Commission that the applicants have not been interviewed as yet.

3. Program Report: Adult Sports-Robert Acosta

Mr. Robert Acosta, Recreation Coordinator, informed the Commission of the various adult sport leagues the City of Los Altos offers. He also explained the organization of SANCRA and how it benefits the City's Recreation Department.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Dave Brees, Recreation Director
Liaison to the Parks, Art and Recreation Commission